

PRESS RELEASE

The Superior Court of California, Counties of Glenn, Tehama and Butte are pleased to announce that the Self Help Assistance and Referral Program or SHARP has been unanimously awarded the National Association for Court Management's Justice Achievement Award.

The Justice Achievement Award was established in 1988 to recognize outstanding achievement and meritorious projects that enhance the administration of justice. This year a total of 25 projects were nominated that were extremely innovative and addressed the problems that face the nation's courts.

SHARP is a joint regional venture of three Superior Courts, Butte, Glenn and Tehama. The program was developed in response to the needs of litigants who represent themselves in court matters. Many citizens cannot afford a lawyer or choose to represent themselves yet need assistance in preparing legal documents and navigating the court system. The SHARP program centers are designed to give self-represented litigants assistance with access to legal information.

The award was bestowed at the National Association for Court Management's annual conference on July 15 in Anaheim, California.

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